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The Daily Republican.

HAMSHIRE & MOSSER,
B. H. HAMSHIRE, Publishers,
DECATUR, ILLINOIS!
Wednesday Evening, Oct. 27.

Republican County Ticket.

For County Treasurer,
GEORGE M. WOOD.
For County Surveyor,
GEORGE V. LORING.

FEAR AND TREMBLING have laid hold of the "treasury ring," and its members are resorting to all sorts of tricks to bolster up their sinking cause. They see the hand-writing on the wall, and are attempting to rub it out by efforts that will prove as futile as they are desperate. In their extremity they have abandoned their old theory that "the office should seek the man," and Mr. Park is making about as vigorous a search after the office as the most corrupt "monopolist" could possibly do.

SCANDAL IN THE DEPARTMENTS.—

The Washington correspondent of the Chicago *Times* says a scandal has recently been developed there, of which the facts are at present somewhat obscure.

A few days ago a lady, formerly employed in one of the departments was dismissed. She applied to the head of the office to be reinstated. He promised to reinstate her provided she would consent to a dishonorable proposition which he made her. This she indignantly refused.

The lady then went to the president and made a statement of the case to him. He advised her to go before justice of the peace and make an affidavit in support of her charges. This she has done, and the same has, at the request of the president, been forwarded to him. An investigation has been ordered and is now being quietly prosecuted. The name of both the lady and the offender is kept strictly secret until the investigation is closed.

From the pertinacity with which Mr. Park and his friends stick to the claim that he has "saved the country a large amount by turning over the fees collected by him," some people may be led to believe that he is entitled to great credit for doing so. Now the truth is, that no man can fill the office of treasurer of Macon county, under our present laws, without collecting the same "fees" that Mr. Park collected, and paying over to the county the same amounts he paid, *besides* \$1203.83, which he failed to pay. The "fees" are nothing more than commissions, and are a part of the taxes. He could not collect the taxes without collecting these "fees," and he has no more right to retain a dollar of them above the salary fixed for him by the board of supervisors than he has to pocket the entire amount of the tax levy of the county. And nobody knows this any better than Mr. Park and his bankers. The effort to create a different impression is demagogic in the extreme, and shows to what straits the "reformers" are put.

The following good joke is got off on Sam Bowles, who will probably laugh as heartily over it as anybody:

The other day, Sam Bowles went to church, in Springfield, Mass., and, feeling the effect of his severe editorial labors through the week, fell to napping. By and by he was awakened by the preacher, who struck his desk and shouted: "Who shall be able to stand up in the presence of the Lord on that awful day?" And, Sam Bowles, rising in his pews, remarked: "Charles Francis Adams is the only man that can do it; and I nominate him for the position."

As to the wind work about a currency based on the wealth of a nation, the Boston *Post* remarks,

As coin is only of that value which it intrinsically possesses, regardless of the stamp put upon it, so is the value of paper currency determined by its ready convertibility into coin. Not that it is worth anything of itself, but that it represents actual value, and will at any time bring it. That is the very most that can be said for paper money. The talk about its being based on the wealth of the country is the assignat theory right over again, leading up into the air.

The following sound sense related by an exchange, has its counterpart in nearly every little town in the country, for nearly every locality has its "financial theorist":

"Our reporter was arrested the other day on the street, by a lawyer, after the 'how d'red' had passed between them, by 'Say, wait minute, I want to see you.' 'All right, what is it?' He followed us a few steps, until out of hearing of the acquaintances with whom he had been standing. 'Oh! I didn't want anything. I just wanted to get rid of that blamed fool who has been explaining the finance question to me!'

TELEGRAPHIC.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.
Reported Expressly for the Daily Republican.

THE FIRE FIEND.

Terrible Fire at Virginia City, Nevada.

LOSS OVER A MILLION OF DOLLARS.

10,000 People Homeless.

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

A Few More Failures.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 26.—A great fire is now raging in Virginia City. It broke out early this morning, and six or seven blocks have already been destroyed. The office of the Western Union and railroad depot are burned.

A dispatch just received at the office of the Consolidated Virginia Mining Company here says that Virginia, north of Ninth street, is burnt, and the fire is still raging. The engines are useless for want of water.

The California mill is gone. The

fire is still spreading. The Catholic

church, and other buildings, will be

blown up. The Ophir works and the

Bank of California buildings are

burned. The Catholic church is now burning.

The Virginia fire is now under control. It has apparently burned itself out. All the city north of Smith street is destroyed, including the business part of the town. A temporary telegraph office is being erected, and full particulars will soon be obtained.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 26.—Owing

to the destruction of the telegraph office

it is difficult to obtain correct information concerning the Virginia fire, which broke out at daylight in a dwelling in the southwest limit of the business and thickly settled portion of the city. It spread rapidly, extending eastward toward the ravine in which are situated the works and mills of several prominent mines. The flames covered a space of about ten blocks, comprising the best buildings in the city.

The offices of the *Territorial Enterprise* and the *Chronicle* were burned.

Piper's Opera House was next in

flames. The water supply was inade-

quate and engines were of little use,

and the blowing up of buildings was

resorted to in order to save the depot

and hoisting works; but it was too late

and the works were soon on fire. They

were the first on the Comstock lode,

and cost several hundred thousand dol-

lars.

The California mine and Consoli-

dated Virginia Mill and Ophir Hoist-

ing Works were also destroyed, which

was the limit to the fire in that direc-

tion. The fire extended southward from Taylor street which is near where the fire originated.

The Branch Bank of California,

Wells Fargo's express office, and every-

thing else in its line were consumed.

Nearly the entire business portion of

the city is in ashes. Hotels, churches,

county buildings, newspaper, telegraph

and express offices are all swept away.

Over 10,000 people are homeless.

The wind is piercing, and much suffering is

anticipated before temporary shelter

can be prepared.

It is impossible at present to con-

jecture the amount of loss. The destruc-

tion of mills and hoisting works above

referred to will probably entail a loss of

\$1,000,000 within a radius of a few

hundred feet. Fortunately the shafts of

both the Ophir and Consolidated

Virginia were buckled, and the fire

was kept out of the mines. The Ophir

men say that possibly their loss may be

less than at first supposed, as the build-

ing was of a light frame, and might

burn without destroying the machinery.

The loss of buildings and merchandise

in the city must be very great, al-

though covered to a great extent by in-

surance.

It is not known to what extent the

mills and hoisting works were insured,

except in the case of the Ophir, where

the loss is placed at \$100,000 to \$200,

000; insured for \$60,000. The news

created the greatest excitement here.

Contradictory rumors and telegrams

were spread, newspaper offices were

brought into anxious people; stocks fell

in the excitement, and Ophir sold as

low as 384; Consolidated Virginia

dropped to 210. Talk on the subject

was gloomy at first, but subsequently

the tone of the market and feeling in

business circles recovered their buoyancy.

Inquiry develops the fact that, al-

though many insurance companies have

heavily, they will come up manfully,

paying all demands. A large portion

of the insurance is with foreign compa-

nies, well able to bear it, and the local

companies also claim that none will go

to the wall. It was given out by those

known to be outsiders, that the Colossal

Virginia would pay a dividend

as usual, though probably at reduced

figures. All these considerations soon

had the effect to turn the tide of feel-

ing, and now the general impression is that, while the conflagration is unquestionably a serious disaster, its effect on the financial interests of California will be but limited and temporary. On the street after stocks rallied, the feeling in business circles was greatly improved.

The number of people reported

turned out of doors by the fire is stated

at 10,000, and is accounted for by the

fact that owing to the popular mode of

life led by the large population engaged

in the mine, and who work by shifts

day and night. In many instances

some lodgings are occupied for several

hours by numerous tenants, and at no

time are household accommodations

equal to the demand of the population.

Nearly all the lodging houses and dwellings

occupied by miners were in the track

of the conflagration in the north-

westerly course, being in the immediate

neighborhood of the mining works. The

fire has now burnt out and all danger is

ended.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 26.—Aid has

been telegraphed for the Virginian people

rendered homeless and destitute. Wells Fargo Co.'s agent at this city has

instructed all agents on the coast that

contributions will be sent free to Vir-

ginia. The Board of Directors have

subscribed \$6,000 for the relief of the

sufferers. But few additional details

have been received. The amount of

insurance in the burnt district is not

ascertained, but it is supposed will

reach \$500,000. No report of the

losses has yet been received from agents;

and it is impossible to state the proportion

of losses to risks. A rough estimate

places the total loss at \$2,000,000. No

loss of life has yet been reported.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 26.—Insur-

ance companies estimate their losses at

\$1,200,000. Among the heaviest los-

ers are the Alta, Imperial and Queen,

and Commercial Union, about \$100,000

each; North British and Mercantile,

\$60,000; London, Assurance and Under-

writers, \$50,000 each; Hart's, \$35,000

each; and other eastern and foreign

companies smaller amounts.

Among the local companies the Commer-

